



## **DX bulletin 487**

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## **News**

### **F6CUK is now on his way to Crozet**

[Ship MARION DUFRESNE \(Research/Survey Vessel\) Registered in France - Vessel details, Current position and Voyage information - IMO 9050814, MMSI 227235000, Call Sign FNIN | AIS Marine Traffic](#)

### **NCDXF: End of year message**

2022 brought an increase in interesting DXpeditions and an increase in sunspots. Smoothed sunspot numbers went from a low of 1.8 in 2020 to a high of 77 in May 2022. The predicted peak of Cycle 25 is in 2025. In 2022 we saw DXpeditions to TO9W, T88RC, 3D2AGP, 7O, YJ0, 5V7, JW, 6O1, 3A, D60, TX5N, and VU4W.

2022 is expected to bring only one top ten most wanted DXpedition – FT5/W Crozet. Thierry, F6CUK, will start operation on December 20<sup>th</sup>. He will only be able to operate HF thru January 26, 2023. NCDXF provided funding for this operation.

For 2023, the most anticipated DXpedition is 3Y0J – Bouvet – <https://www.3y0j.no>. NCDXF provided major funding. We reviewed their plans and are impressed. Since funding, the team's plans and preparation have accelerated. Their media posts and web pages provide much detail. Presently, the team plans to start operation in early January 2023. As always, more donations to the project are needed. Please visit their web page and follow the instructions to make a donation. <https://www.dx-world.net/ncdxf-end-of-year-message/>

### **3Y0J Bouvet Island –video by Adrian KO8SCA**

3Y0J team member, Adrian KO8SCA, recently gave a You Tube presentation to Yankee Clipper Contest Club about the 2023 Bouvet Island DXpedition and the challenges facing the team.

<https://www.dx-world.net/video-ko8sca-on-3y0j-dxpedition/>

### **TN8K Congo –update December 15**

Today we received passports back from France with visas for 15 days to enter the Congo. The preparation for obtaining the documents took almost 12 months. We missed the initially scheduled September 2022, and the tickets had to book for January 2023. Fortunately, in October, the Ministry of Health of the Republic of the Congo cancelled the obligation to test for covid with an RT-PCR test before leaving the country, after arriving in the country and before flying home from the Congo. Thus, after long months of preparations, all the legislative requirements for the start of the expedition were finally met.

We managed to secure the QTH in the flat terrain within sight of the ocean. We will have an area of approx. 6000m2 at our disposal, which is fenced, so we should feel safe. The view in all directions is unobstructed so we can point our antennas without problems to all continents. There is also enough space around for installing beverage antennas; the only complication can be grazing herds of cows. <https://www.dx-world.net/tn8k-republic-of-congo/>

### **CY0S, Sable island -update**

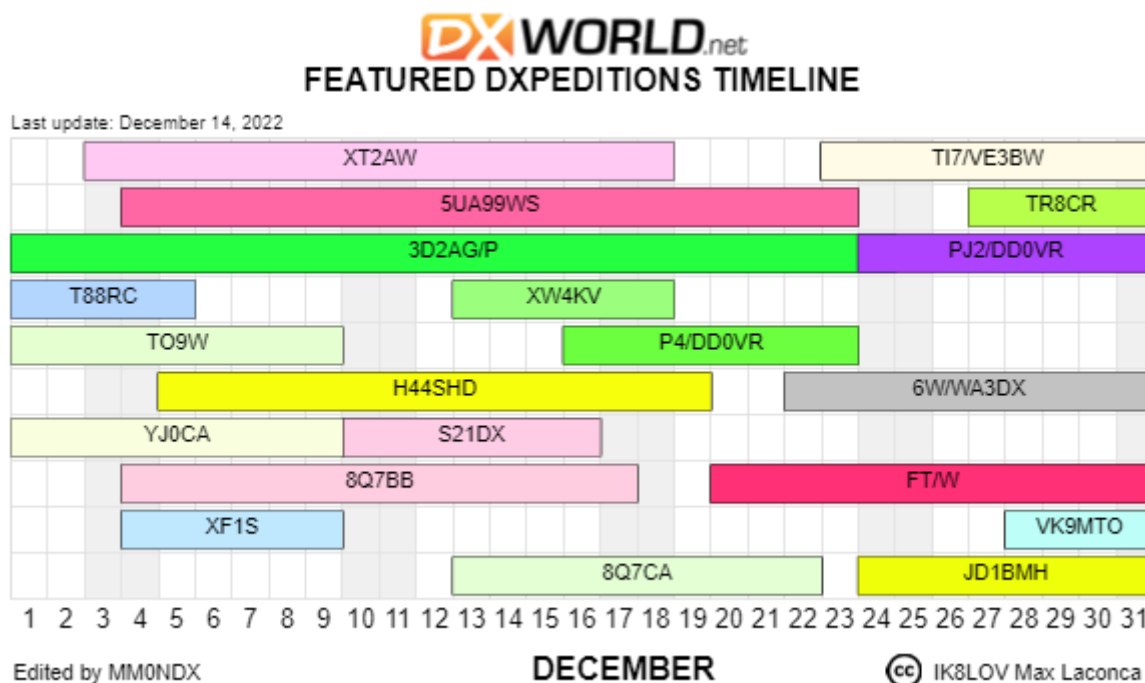
DXpedition leader, WA4DAN, and the CYØS team now confirm the dates of their upcoming DXpedition to Sable Island DXpedition... March 20-29, 2023.

Sable Island is ranked #50 on the DXCC "most wanted" list and needed by many DXers for filling in "band slots"! We are planning four stations to be QRV 24/7 during our stay on the island.

Each station will use ICOM radio transceivers and 500-watt amplifiers. Modes will be CW, SSB, Digital and EME.

The CYØS team has monoband Yagis for 20, 15 and 10m and a duo-band Cushcraft A3WS Yagi for 12 and 17m. The Team will erect dedicated verticals for 160, 80, 40 and 30m and are planning to lay out 4,000 ft. of radials. <https://www.dx-world.net/cy0s-sable-island-dxpedition-2023/>

## DXCC timeline



## DXCC

### **This week on air**

**This can change daily, please visit <https://www.dx-world.net/> for updates.**

**3D2, ROTUMA** Antoine, 3D2AG is once again operating as 3D2AG/P from Rotuma. It's a one-man DXpedition with activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and some FT8. More on: <https://www.dx-world.net/3d2ag-p-rotuma-2022/>

**5U, NIGER** Look for 5UA99WS during the coming days. Operation during Giorgio's spare time on 15 and 20 meter using SSB. Activity until December 23. QSL via EA5GL and LoTW.

**6W, SENEGAL** Earl, WA3DX will be operating as 6W/call between December 22 and January 20, 2023. Operation using FT8 as Dakar - 6W1/WA3DX Mbao - 6W7/WA3DX Kaolack and Saloum Islands (AF-045) - 6W6/WA3DX. QSL via WA3DX direct, LoTW.

**8Q, MALDIVES** Vadim, R6CA is active as 8Q7CA until December 22. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW and Club Log.

**8Q, MALDIVES** Sergey, RX3APM is once again active as 8Q7BB until December 17. An entry in the ARRL 10m contest is included. Active from 80 to 10 meter using a vertical antenna.

**C5, GAMBIA** Andre, ON7YK is once again active as C5YK until February 24. Operation during his spare time on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via LoTW, home call.

**HR, HONDURAS** Gerard, F2JD is once again operating as HR5/call until March 13, 2023. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, direct or buro.

**J5, GUINEA BISSAU** Carlos, CT2GQA is once again active as J5JUA until end 2022. QSL via home call.

**P4, ARUBA**

**PJ2, CURACAO**

**PJ4, BONAIRE**

Heli DD0VR and Bigi DE3BWR will be operating from these islands. P4 (December 16-23), PJ2 (December 23 – January 5), PJ4 (January 5-13). Operation on HF using low power. QSL via home calls, direct or buro.

**T33, BANABA** The Rebel DX team is QRV from Tarawa. The team plans to be QRV for 10-12 days as T33T. Operation from 160 to 6 meter with 2 operators.

**VK9W, WILLIS ISL** Sands, VU2WXW is operating as VK9WX until end April 2023. *'The Australian Bureau of Meteorology has a weather monitoring station on Willis Island. The station was established in 1921, it serves as an early cyclone warning service for the state of Queensland. The meteorological station is staffed by crew of 4 that rotate every 6 months. There are 2 Observers (including myself), 1 Officer In Charge (OIC/Observer) and 1 Technician. I have been on the Island since October 2022 and will be here until the end of April 2023.'*

**XT, BURKINA FASO** Harald, DF2WO is once again active as XT2AW until December 18. Operation on HF using CW, SSB, digi and QO-100. QSL via QRZ.com.

**XW, LAOS** Vincent, F4BKV is operating as XW4KV until December 23. Main activity on QO-100 with some HF on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter. <https://f4bkv.net/xw4kv.html>

## Coming up soon

**FT/W CROZET ISL** In actual fact, further to the info below, Thierry left port on Reunion island sooner than planned. Here's his view from aboard the vessel. Bon Voyage, Thierry !

You can track the Marion Dufresne [here](#). Destination: Tromelin, arriving tomorrow (December 13th @ 10am local).

<http://crozet2022.r-e-f.org/>

**FY, FRENCH GUIANA** Pierre-Jean, F4GPK will be active as FY/call between December 26 and January 8. Operation on HF in 'holiday-style' from the QTH of FY5KE in Kourou.

**JD1, OGASAWARA** Harry, JG7PSJ will be operating again as JD1BMH between December 24 and January 2, 2023. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY.

**TI, COSTA RICA** Joe, VE3BW will be active as TI7/call from Las Villas del Guayabo between December 23 and January 4, 2023. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8.

**TR, GABON** Roland, F8EN will be active as TR8CR from December 29 until mid-March, 2023. Active from 30 to 10 meter using CW. QSL via F6AJA.

**ZF, CAYMAN ISL** Edmondo, VA3ITA will be active as ZF2IT from Grand Cayman between December 29 and January 5. Activity in 'holiday-style' on HF with a vertical/dipole. QSL via LoTW.

### San Andres Island, HK0





# This week on air

## **ASIA**

**AS-079 Miyako Isl** Take JS6RRR is active as JS6RRR and JI3DST/6 until December 17. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL see QRZ.com.

**AS-140 Char Kukri-Mukri** The S21DX is once again active until December 16. They plan multiple stations from 80 to 12 meter using SSB and FT8, 1 station will be for satellite QO-100. QSL via EB7DX, QSO's upload via LoTW and Club Log. <https://s21dx.org/>

## **OCEANIA**

**OC-149 Uepi Isl** Remo, HB9SHD is active until early January, 2023 as H44SHD. He will be visiting Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. See the schedule below:

Dec 5 to 19: QRV from Uepi island, OC-149 – Solomon Islands as **H44SHD**.

Dec 20 to January 3: QRV from liveaboard MV Bilikiki as **H44SHD/MM**.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Announced DX**

### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**HK0, SAN ANDRES ISL** For a 2 week period in May 2023 (dates to be announced), Renato will again be active from San Andres island as HK0/PY8WW.

**JD1, OGASAWARA** Members of the G-G Ham Club (JD1YCC) plan EME activity from Ogasawara island during February 7-13, 2022. Team includes: JP3EXR/JD1BPY Taka, JA1PFP/JD1BQB Taka, JJ3JHP/JD1BQD Hiro, JH3BUM/JD1BPX Masa, JH3QFL/JD1BQA Taki, JH3VAA/JD1BPI Mamo, JH3AZC/JD1BPW Kay. They will depart Tokyo by ship on February 5th arriving 24 hours later. On arrival they will undergo an onsite verification test by the Telecommunications bureau on February 7th to get the license for 160m to 23cm. <https://www.qrz.com/db/JD1YCC>

**PJ4, BONAIRE** Scott, NE9U will once again be operating as PJ4/call from February 11 until February 26, 2023. An entry in the ARRL DX contest is included as PJ4A (with K2NG, N9TTK and W9RE). QSL for PJ4A via K4BAI, PJ4/homecalls via LoTW.

### **Ogasawara, JD1**



### **THE REMINDERS**

**3B7, ST BRANDON** Members of the OM7M contest club and CDXP (OM5ZW, OK6DJ, OM3PC, OM4MW, OK2ZA, OM3KAP & OM4MM) will be operating as 3B7M between February 24 and March 5, 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via OK6DJ, Club Log OQRS.

**3Y, BOUVET** 3Y0J is a team of 13 international amateur radio operators who, in January 6, 2023, will be sailing to, and operating from, Bouvet Island with the goal of making over 200K QSOs.

The Dxpediton will start its journey in the Falkland Islands, and the team anticipates sailing for 12 days through the treacherous waters of the South Atlantic Ocean before setting up camp, and operating from, Bouvet Island for 22 days. At the conclusion of our Dxpediton, the team will then sail another 12 days to the end point of the Dxpediton: Cape Town, South Africa.

**8P, BARBADOS** Chris, WA7RAR will be active as 8P9CB from Sea Cliff Cottage between January 13 and January 25, 2023. Operation from 20 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

**9M0, SPRATLY ISL** DX0NE is valid for a Dxpediton to Kalayaan, Spratly Islands sometime within the first 6 months of 2023. Team will be with Mike DU1XX, Jong DU3JA, Ed 4F1OZ and Gil 4F2KWT. No specific date(s) yet set for the expedition. License was issued to Gil, 4F2KWT.

**9U, BURUNDI** Vlad, OK2WX will be operating as 9U4WX between February 4 and February 27, 2023. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via IZ8CCW.

<https://www.mdxc.org/9u4wx/>

**C5, THE GAMBIA** Team C5C will once again be active between February 16 and March 13, 2023. Operators are F5RAV, F5NVF and M0NPT. Operation on HF and possible QO-100.

**CY0, SABLE ISL** Permission for a Dxpediton has been authorized with the team: WA2DAN, N2IEN, K5DHY, K5YY, K4UEE, WW2DX, AA4NC, N8AA, N2TU. The CY0C Sable Island Dxpediton team will be active as CY0S during March 20-29, 2023.

<http://cy0dxpedition.net/index.html>

**D4, CAPE VERDE** Harald, DF2WO will once again be active as D44TWO between January 3 and January 21, 2023. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 and QO-100. QSL via M0OXO OQRS.

**E6, NIUE** Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as E6AM sometime 2023. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logsuploaded during the Dxpediton to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

**FM, MARTINIQUE** Francis, F6BWJ will be QRV as FM/call during January-March 2023. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW, PSK and RTTY. QSL via LoTW.

**FO0, AUSTRAL ISL** Haru, JA1XGI will be QRV as TX5XG sometime 2023. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW and digi. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS or via home call.

<https://australvacation.amebaownd.com/>

**FO/M MARQUESAS ISL** Didier, F6BCW plans to be active again as TX7G sometime November 2023 but with a large team. More to follow.

**FP, ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON** The next trip to FP by KV1J is planned for June 27 until July 11, 2023. QRV in various contests throughout the period. Activity on 80-6m; CW, SSB, Digi.

**FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON** Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19, the TO5T Dxpediton to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed sometime in 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. <http://www.to5t.com/>

**FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA** Tom, KH0/KC0W informs: due to Covid this trip will be postponed. As soon the situation changes Tom will let us know when he departs Saipan.

**H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS** Bernard, DL2GAC will once again be active as H44MS from Manakwai Village (northern Malaita Isl). Activity from February 10 until May 8, 2023. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

**HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL** Jim WB2REM, Chris VO1IDX, Mitch KH6M and Bob KE2D will be active from Santa Cruz as HD8M. Operation during March 1-11, 2023. QSL via WB2REM direct, OQRS, LoTW. <http://www.hd8m.com/index.html>

**J8, ST VINCENT** Gert, PA2LO will be active as J8/AJ4YX between February 11 and February 21, 2023. Operation during his spare time. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest is included, besides the contest Gert will be mainly active using SSB and FT8.

**JD1, OGASAWARA** Look for JD1BQP (JP1IHD) from Chichijima between April 29 and May 6, 2023. Operation mainly on HF using SSB. QSL via home call, direct.



**KH8, SWAINS ISL** Due to the Covid-19 pandemic it is still impossible to travel to Swains Island. Alex Jennings (owner of island) and the team will start planning again sometime 2023.

**P4, ARUBA** Mathias, DK4MN will once again be active as P4/call and P40AA between January 18 and February 2, 2023. An entry in the CQ 160CW contest is included as P40AA. Focus on the low bands and WARC using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via DL4MM.

**PJ2, CURACAO** Andy, DK5ON will be operating as PJ2/call from March 4 until March 22, 2023 as PJ2/call. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call direct or bureau, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

**PJ2, CURACAO** Bob AA1M, Steve W1SR and Mike W1USN will be active as PJ2/calls from February 20 until March 3, 2023. Operation on HF. QSL via homecalls, direct or buro, LoTW.

**PJ5, ST EUSTATIUS** John, W5JON will be QRV as PJ5/call during March 28 and April 4, 2023. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via direct or LoTW.

**PJ7, ST MAARTEN** Tom, AA9A will once again be operating as PJ7AA between March 4 and April 1, 2023. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSO will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log.

**T33, BANABA** Norbert, DF6FK and Judith DL2ZAD will be QRV as T33BB and T33BA between January 12 and January 24, 2023. Operation on HF. More to follow.

**T8, PALAU** JA6EGL/T88SM, JH6WDG/T88AQ and JR6DRH/T88RH will be active from the VIP Guest Hotel, Koror during January 13-20, 2023. QRV from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via each operators instructions.

**T8, PALAU** A Japanese team with JH3LSS (T88DK), JA3HJI (T88DN), JA3IVU (T88ED), JA3ARJ (T88EF) & JA3AVO (T88MB) will be active during January 20-27, 2023. QRV from 160 to 10 meter using all modes. QSL via homecalls.

**TN, CONGO** The CDXP group will be active as TN8K between January 7 and January 20, 2023. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QO-100 also. Based on the local internet availability, they plan to use Club Log Live Stream wherever it will be possible. Live Stream link [here](https://www.cdxp.cz/). <https://www.cdxp.cz/>

**TR, GABON** Roland, F8EN will once again be operating as TR8CR from end December until mid-March 2023. Activity from 30 to 10 meter using CW. QSL via F6AJA.

**V4, ST KITTS** V47JA will again be active from his Calypso Bay vacation home, located 300 feet from the Caribbean Sea, from January 31 to February 15, 2023. QSL via W5JON or via LoTW.

**VK9N, NORFOLK ISL** Marcelo, ZL1MTO will be active as VK9MTO from December 29 until January 5, 2023. Operation on 20 and 10 meter using SSB and FT4/8. QSL via home call.

**VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISL** Nobby, G0VJG will be operating during February 17-24, 2023 as VK9CVG. Operation with a FT-857 and a Butternut HF6V antenna. More to follow.

**VP2M, MONTSEERRAT** Look for the EIDX group as VP2MEI around March 23 and April 2. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. More to follow.



**VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL** Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates not yet mentioned. More to follow.

**VP5, TURKS & CAICOS** John, N9EAJ will be operating as VP5/call between March 8 and March 22, 2023. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, Club Log and LoTW.

### **Murtar Island EU-136 (9A)**



**XU, CAMBODIA** This Dxpedition had been due to take place during March, however since many of the team were from Ukraine it's clear it had to be postponed. Juris YL2GM, team leader explains: My team planned expedition XU7AKT in March. The expedition had to be cancelled due to the war in Ukraine. However, Latvian Radiosport Federation supports Ukraine during these tough times and invites radio amateurs around the world to join this support by donating. More info can be found on the LRSF homepage: <https://www.lrsf.lv/lrsf/index.html>

**YJ, VANUATU** A team with N4VGE as team leader will be active for 2 weeks in December 2024. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digi with an entry in the ARRL 10m contest on December 14-15. More to follow.

**YJ, VANUATU** Alex, K6VHF will be active as YJ0NA sometime November 2023. More to follow.

**YN, NICARAGUA** Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. <https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO>

## **IOTA**

### **THE REMINDERS**

#### **AFRICA**

**AF-019 Lampedusa Isl** A large team with S51V, S52OT, S54W, S56N, S57DX, S59A, S500 and S50X will be active as IG9/S59A from January 23 until January 31, 2023. An entry in the CQWW 160 CW is included. Outside the contest operators sign as IG9/calls on all bands and all modes.

#### **ASIA**

**AS-015 Penang Isl** Rich, PA0RRS will be active again as 9M2MRS from Penang Island (AS-015), West Malaysia from January 1 until March 29. He will operate CW (most of the time "no split") and digital modes (RTTY, FT8 and FT4) on 40-10m. On FT8, he says, if there are too many callers he will switch to F/H on 7056, 10131, 14084, 18095, 21084, 24911, 28091 kHz. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW, or via PA0RRS.

**AS-107 Samet Isl** E20AX/p has had to postpone the activation of Samet Island that was originally scheduled for 8-10 January 2022 because of the Omicron outbreak. A new date is yet to be set.

## **EUROPE**

**EU-189 Isle of Rockall** The Rockall expedition is now scheduled to leave from Inverkip Marina, Greenock, Scotland last week of May 2023. This is a charity event (details below) and the plan is to spend a week on the rock. Amateur Radio operation is planned for part of the stay.

### **On the scene...S21DX night operation**



## **NORTH AMERICA**

**NA-049 Providencia Isl** HK3EA/5J01EA and HK3MKQ/5K0VT will be active during February 27 to March 7, 2023. QSL via LoTW, QRZ.com.

**NA-057 Roatan Isl** Alex K6VHF will once again be QRV as call/HR9 between February 8 and February 15, 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, home call.

**NA-122 Isla Cabras** Team members of Loma del Toro DX Club will be operating as HI0LT during March 12-19, 2023. Operation from 160 to 2 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via EB7DX.

## **OCEANIA**

**OC-139 Troubridge Isl** Look for VK5PAS, VK5MAZ, VK5FR, VK2YK, VK5LA and VK5HS as VK5TIL on February 7-9, 2023. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8.

## **Antarctic Base**

**Base Dumont d'Urville** FT4YL

**Base Concordia** FT4YM/P

**Base Little Dome C** FT4YM/P

**Base Cape Prud'homme** FT4YM/P

Mehdi, F5PFP informs that David **FT4YM** will again be QRV from Antarctica during the next summer campaign (December 2022 to March 2023).

**Halley VI base** Seba, SQ1SGB arrived Halley VI-a base a few days ago. (75° 35' 00" S, 26° 34' 00" W – Loc: HB64RK). His radio activity from this particular base started today (40m SSB @ 2145z). \*Halley Research Station is a research facility on the Brunt Ice Shelf operated by the British Antarctic Survey (*tnx F8DVD*).



**Maitri Base Station** Sunny, VU2CUW is on his way to Antarctica. To be precise: Indian Maitri Base (70°46'S - 11° 43'E). When time permits he will QRV on HF bands using AT42I callsign - 42nd scientific expedition. More info to follow..

**Novolazarevskaya Station** Look for Oleg, ZS1OIN as RI1ANU from Novolazarevskaya Station, Antarctica. QRV on HF bands when time permits using IC-7300, amplifier and beam antennas. QSL via H/c.

**Palmer Station** For the 2022/23 US-Antarctic scientific season, there's a new ham operator based at Palmer Station, Anvers Island, AN-012. Look out for Cody running KC4AAC on the HF bands when time permits. There is a triband antenna at the station. QSL via K7MT.

**Vostok Station** Alex, UG1A (ex-RD1AV) is again active in his spare time from Vostok Base as RI1ANC. Activity mostly in CW. Alex is the seasonal drill team leader at the base. QSL via RN1ON, CL OQRS, Direct, Buro.

### Palmer Station, Antarctica



## Special calls

### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**HH, HAITI** Special event station **HH75RCH** will be QRV from Port-au-Prince, Haïti from January 1 to May 1, 2023 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of Radio Club D'Haïti. QRV on HF bands, QSL via N200. (TNX 425DX)

**OH, FINLAND** Celebrating the Christmas Holiday Season, the OH9A team is once again active as **OG1XMAS** on all bands and modes between 28 November and 26 December. QSL via LoTW (preferred), Club Log's OQRS, or direct to OH1NOA. (TNX 425DX)

**SM, SWEDEN** Once again the unique and still operational long wave transmitter, with call sign **SAQ**, at the Varberg Radio Station at Grimeton (southern Sweden) will be activated on VLF 17.2 kHz on 24 December. The message transmission will take place at 8 UTC and the transmitter will be tuned up from around 7.30 UTC. Built in 1922- 24, the Varberg Radio Station has been inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage list since 2004. As for the amateur bands, Grimeton Radio Station SK6SAQ will be QRV on CW (3535, 7035 and 14035 kHz) and SSB (3755 and 7140 kHz). QSL SK6SAQ via the bureau or direct to Alexander GVV Radiostationen, Grimeton 72, SE-432 98 Grimeton, Sweden. See <https://alexander.n.se/en/> for more information. (TNX 425DX)

## Hailing Island AS-131 (BY)



## THE REMINDERS

**9A, CROATIA** **9A652AA** and **9A655AX** are the special 10allsigns that Tom, 9A2AA and Josip, 9A5AX will be using throughout 2022 to mark their 65<sup>th</sup> year in amateur radio. QSL via home calls. (TNX 425DX)

**A6, UAE** Celebrating the 22nd edition of the FIFA World Cup to be held in Qatar, the Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) will operate special callsign **A60FIFA** from 19 November to 19 December. QSL via EA7FTR. Individual operators may append a serial number to the special callsign, and be active as A60FIFA/0, A60FIFA/1, etc. (see qrz.com for the QSL routes). (TNX 425DX)

**A7, QATAR** The Qatar Amateur Radio Society (QARS) has announced that nine special event callsigns will be activated from 18 October to 18 December to celebrate the 22nd edition of the FIFA World Cup. Look for HQ station **A722FWC**, as well as for **A71FIFA, A72FIFA, A73FIFA, A74FIFA, A75FIFA, A76FIFA, A77FIFA** and **A78FIFA** (each representing one of the eight venues that will host the matches) to be QRV on the HF bands and via QO-100. QSL via the bureau, LoTW, or direct. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/A722FWC> for information about the Awards. The FIFA World Cup is a quadrennial international football (soccer) tournament contested by the men's national teams of the member associations of the Federation Internationale de Football Association. (TNX 425DX)

**CN, MOROCCO** Celebrating the 22nd edition of the FIFA World Cup to be held in Qatar, the Association Royale des Radioamateurs du Maroc (ARRAM) will operate special callsign **CN22CWQ** from 18 November to 20 December. (TNX 425DX)

**CN, MOROCCO** Special station **CN22JIM** will be active on 5-18 December from Imlil in the High Atlas mountain range of Morocco. The callsign's suffix stands for Journee Internationale de la Montagne (International Mountain Day). QSL via RW6HS. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** Club station DL0IMO will operate special callsign **DR50BAWA** throughout 2022 to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the DARC's Intruder Monitoring Service (<https://www.intruder-monitoring.de/>). QSL via the bureau. Started in 1972 and formerly known as Bandwacht, the Intruder Monitoring is the German branch of the IARU Monitoring System, whose primary objective is the search, classification, identification and initiation of steps leading to the removal from amateur bands of radio signals of non-amateur stations causing harmful interference to the amateur services. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** The DARC club Hanau (DOK F09) celebrates 85 years of amateur radio in their city with the special DOK 85AFHU for their club callsign **DLOHO** during 2022. QSL via bureau. (TNX DXNL)

**DL, GERMANY** **DR45HAAN** is the special callsign for DARC's Ortsverband Haan (R24) to celebrate their 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary until September 30, 2023. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL7ET. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** The DARC club Telgte (DOK N44) celebrates its 44<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2022 with the



callsign **DP44N44T** (special DOK 44N44). An award is also available. QSL via bureau. (TNX DXNL)

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**DL, GERMANY** During 2022, look for **DB50AFZ** for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary since the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC) relocated from Kiel to the Amateurfunk-Zentrum (Amateur Radio Centre), the newly built headquarters in Baunatal. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL2VFR. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY DF40BGK** is active during 2022 for the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of DARC Ortsverband Bergkamen. QSL via the bureau, LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY DK050BN** is QRV during 2022 for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Contestgruppe Bingen (DK0BN) QSL via the bureau, LoTW, direct cards via DK5PD. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** During 2022, **DL60LINDAU** is active for the DARC Ortsverband Lindau-Westallgau's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau, direct cards via DL1CBQ. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** Look for **DL73AFUG** during 2022 for the 73<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the first Amateurfunkgesetz (AfuG), the German amateur radio regulations that came into force on 23 March 1949. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY DL75DRG** is QRV until end 2022 for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of DARC Distrikt Ruhrgebiet. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY DL75HIL** is active until end 2022 for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of DARC Ortsverband Hilden (DL0HIL/DL0CK). QSL via the bureau, LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** The German section of the International Federation of Railway Radio Amateurs will put their new club callsign **DL0OF** on the air with the special DOK MKO until Jan. 25 next year. QSL via bureau and DL4CR (d). (TNX DXNL)

**DL, GERMANY DL75RLP** is the special callsign for members of DARC's Ortsverband Mainz (DL0MZ) to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the German federal state of Rhineland-Palatinate throughout 2022. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and LoTW; direct cards



can be requested via Club Log's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** In celebration of its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, DARC Ortsverband Syke (DK0SY) will be active with special DOK "50i25" from 1 October until 31 December. On 2 October the DK0SY operators will take part in the DLFF Activity Day and be active as **DF0WFF** and **DF0DFF** from Nature Reserve DLFF-0188. QSL via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

**EA, SPAIN** Celebrating Christmas, the HamRadioDX group will be active as **EG3HAM** on 1-25 December, with certificates, "cash prizes" and a Christmas Draw (see qrz.com for complete information). Activity will be on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and FT8. (TNX 425DX)

**EA, SPAIN** Special callsign **EE44CE** will be active on 3-18 December to commemorate the 44th anniversary of the promulgation of the Spanish Constitution of 1978, which marked the culmination of the transition of Spain to democracy. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or direct to EC5WR. (TNX 425DX)

**EI, IRELAND** Special callsign **EI90IRTS** will be activated throughout 2022 to celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary since the founding of the Irish Radio Transmitters Society, Ireland's IARU society. QSL via EI6AL. (TNX 425DX)

**F, FRANCE** The Radioamateurs du Val d'Oise (F4KKT) will operate special callsign **TM6DEO** on 9-21 December in memory of their friend Marcel Chaillou, F6DEO, who passed away on 21 December 2021. QSL via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

**F, FRANCE** Members of Radio Club de Wingles (F4KLR) will be active as **TM90GF** for fifteen days between 29 October and 17 December, typically during the weekends. The special callsign memorializes the 90th anniversary of the death of general Gustave-Auguste Ferrie, a pioneer in the field of military radio communications. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and eQSL; direct QSLs via F4KLR. (TNX 425DX)

### On the scene...D2UY Angola



**F, FRANCE** The Association des Radioamateurs de la Sarthe will be active as **TM8GE** for fifteen days between 3 September and 16 December, including the CQ WW DX SSB and CW contests weekends. The special callsign celebrates the centenary of the first Radio Club Sarthois (8GE). QSL via F6KFI and logsearch on Club Log. (TNX 425DX)

**F, FRANCE** Celebrating the 15th anniversary of SOTA (Summits On The Air) France, special callsign **TM15SOTA** will be activated for fifteen days between 1 November and 30 December. QSL via eQSL, paper QSLs will not be available.

**F, FRANCE** Michel, F8GGZ and Serge F6HFI will be active as **TM200LP** on 10-21 and 27-29 December to commemorate the 200th anniversary since the birth of Louis Pasteur (27 December 1822), the French scientist renowned for his discoveries of the principles of vaccination, microbial fermentation, and pasteurization. QSL via F8GGZ (bureau preferred). (TNX 425DX)

**G, ENGLAND** Special event stations **GB1900HA** (operated by M0MNE) and **GB1900HW** (operated by M0TKF) are active until 23 December for the 1900<sup>th</sup> anniversary since the beginning of the construction of Hadrian's Wall (<https://1900.hadrianswallcountry.co.uk/>). QSLs via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW. A former defensive fortification which marked the boundary between Roman Britannia and unconquered Caledonia to the north, Hadrian's Wall is the largest Roman archaeological feature in Britain, and has been inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage Site List since 1987. (TNX 425DX)

**G, ENGLAND** **GB100BBC** is the special callsign celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the British Broadcasting Corporation throughout 2022. The BBC was formed on 18 October 1922, and daily radio broadcasts began on 14 November. GB100BBC will be on air from the BBC Radio Group's shack at BBC Broadcasting House in central London, as well as from other BBC premises and members' home QTHs around the UK. QSL via the bureau, LoTW and eQSL; direct cards will not be accepted. (TNX 425DX)

### On the scene...VK9WI shack on Willis Island



**HA, HUNGARY** The following special event stations mark the 200<sup>th</sup> birthday of the Hungarian poet Sandor Petofi until March 15, 2023: **HG200AN**, **HG200DO**, **HG200EF**, **HG200IR**, **HG200OT** und **HG200PS**. QRV on HF on CW, SSB, and FT8. An award is available as well. QSL via Club Log, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

**HA, HUNGARY** The Szollosi Jozsef Radio Club (HA4KYB) is joining the city of Szekesfehervar's official celebrations of the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Golden Bull (Aranybulla), the royal charter issued in 1222 which represents the first constitutional document of the nation of Hungary. Look for special callsign **HG1222BA** to be active on all bands and modes throughout 2022. QSL via the bureau to HA4KYB. (TNX 425DX)

**HB9, SWITZERLAND** **HB75SG** is the special callsign that members of USKA St. Gallen (HB9SG) will be using from 1 July to 31 December to celebrate their club's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. QSL via LoTW (preferred) and HB9KNY. (TNX 425DX)



**HB9, SWITZERLAND HB50SH** is the special callsign that members of USKA Schaffhausen, HB9SH (<https://www.hb9sh.ch/>) will be using during 2022 to celebrate their club's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. QSL via LoTW, paper cards will be available only for QSOs made during the Helvetia Contest (23-24 April). (TNX 425DX)

**HP, PANAMA H32AT** is the special callsign that Jose, HP2AT is using until the end of the year to mark his 32 years in amateur radio. He uploads his log to qrz.com, Club Log and eQSL on a regular basis, and will upload all QSOs to LoTW at the end of the activity. Paper QSL cards will not be available. (TNX 425DX)

**I, ITALY** Bruno, IK1VHX will be active as **II1MM** between 1 and 31 December. The special callsign memorializes the 150th anniversary of the Istituto Idrografico della Marina Militare, the Hydrographic Institute that has been the official nautical charting agency of the Italian Navy since its establishment in 1872. (TNX 425DX)

**I, ITALY** Look for **II8CAP** until end 2022, this to celebrate the city of Procida, the Italian Capital of Culture 2022. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via IC8ATA.

**LA, NORWAY LA100B** is the special callsign for NRRL's Bergensgruppen (LA1B) to celebrate its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary throughout 2022. Several classes of awards will be offered for contacts made with LA100B. (TNX 425DX)

**LZ, BULGARIA LZ01MLN** is the special callsign to be used until end 2022 by the LZ Contest Team to celebrate the 1,000,000<sup>th</sup> QSO made by the LZ9W Multi-Multi Contest Station (<http://www.lz9w.com/>). The mark was reached during this year's CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via LZ1PM. (TNX 425DX)

**OK, CZECH REPUBLIC** The radio club Chrudim celebrates its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the callsign **OL75KCR** until the end of the year. QSL via Club Log OQRS. (TNX DXNL)

**ON, BELGIUM** Special event station **OR100RCBE** will be active from 1 March to 31 December to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Radio Club Belge de l'Est. Established on 26 March 1922, it is nowadays' UBA GDV (Groupement de Verviers). QSL via ON4GDV. (TNX 425DX)

**OZ, DENMARK** Radio amateurs around the world can obtain an anniversary award by having contacts using CW, Phone or Digital modes with SES **OZ5ØDDXG** during 2022. The anniversary callsign may be contacted once a month, on each band and with each modulation type. Each approved contact counts 1 point.

The award can be sent by e-mail (free of charge) or by postal mail for 10 USD. Application is sent to award manager OZ4CG Carsten – [oz4cg@live.dk](mailto:oz4cg@live.dk)

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** Celebrating Christmas and the New Year, special callsigns **PH22XMAS** will be active on 6-28 December, while **PH23HNY** will be QRV from 28 December to 31 January. QSL cards will not be available. (TNX 425DX)

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** The Dutch city of Leiden will be European City of Science in 2022, and will host a 365-day science festival "for anyone with an inquisitive mind" (<https://leiden2022.nl/>). Members of VERON Leiden will participate in the event and will be active as **PA22L**. QSL via bureau to PI4LDN. (TNX 425DX)

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** The VERON section Midden- en Noord-Limburg (A31) celebrates its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2022 with the callsign **PI75LIM**. QSL via bureau. (TNX DXNL)

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS PA100THALES** is a special callsign celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the company now known as Thales Nederland. Activity will take place between 21 April and 31 December from the company's five locations in the Netherlands (Eindhoven, Delft, Hengelo, Huizen and Rotterdam). QSL via PB2X.

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** Celebrating Christmas and the New Year, special callsigns **PA22XMAS** and **PD22SANTA** will be active on 1-31 December, while **PD23HNY** will be QRV from 1 December until mid-January. QSL cards will not be issued, but a certificate will be available for download (see <https://www.qrz.com/db/PA22XMAS>). (TNX 425DX)

**PY, BRAZIL** The Brazilian national club Amadores Brasileiros de Radio Emissao (LABRE) runs the special event callsign PV22CUP from Nov. 19 until Dec. 18 around the 22nd FIFA World Championship. QSL via LoTW, eQSL. (TNX DXNL)

**SM, SWEDEN** The Skoevde Amateur Radio Club (SARK, SK6EI) celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary during 2022 with the callsign **SK50EI**. QSL via bureau, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

**SP, POLAND 3Z200IL** is the special callsign for radio club SP8KJX to commemorate the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary since the birth of Ignacy Lukasiewicz, an oil industry pioneer whose many achievements included the invention of the modern kerosene lamp. Look for activity through 29 December on 160-10 metres SSB and digital modes. QSL via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

**SP, POLAND** Celebrating the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Polish Amateur Radio Union's Lublin Territorial Branch (OT-20), look for **SP65PLU**, **SN65PLU** and **SQ65PLU**, as well as **SP8PAI**, **SP8PLU** and **SP8TK**, to be active from 1 October until 31 December. (TNX 425DX)

**SP, POLAND 3Z4PAR** was a special station that Poland's Radiocommunication Agency (Panstwowa Agencja Radiokomunikacyjna, PAR) authorized to operate on 50 MHz as an



experiment. The successful outcome of this operation paved the way for general availability of the Magic Band to the Polish amateur radio community. Celebrating the 30th anniversary of the very first 6m QSO in Poland (made on 5 June 1992 at 12.53 UTC between 3Z4PAR and IK1EGC), special callsign 3Z30PAR will be active from 5 June at 12.53 UTC until the end of the year. QSL via LoTW and SP4KM (direct or bureau). (TNX 425DX)

**SV, GREECE SX338M** is the special callsign for members of the Radio Amateur Association of Western Peloponnese to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Hellenic Air Force's 338 Squadron on 1-31 December. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

**TI, COSTA RICA** Supporting Costa Rica's participation in the 22nd FIFA World Cup that will take place in Qatar (21 November-18 December), special callsign **TI1GOAL** will be active from 1 July through December. Look for activity on the HF bands SSB and FT8. QSL direct only, see <https://www.qrz.com/db/TI1GOAL>. The FIFA World Cup is a quadrennial international football (soccer) tournament contested by the men's national teams of the member associations of the Federation Internationale de Football Association.

**VK, AUSTRALIA** Until end 2022, amateur radio operators across Australia will be using the special event callsign **VK90ABC** to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Australian Broadcasting Corporation, launched on 1 July 1932. QSL via LoTW and eQSL; neither direct nor bureau cards will be available. (TNX 425DX)

**VR, HONG KONG** In celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, radio amateurs in Hong Kong are permitted to use the special call prefix "**VR25**" starting from 1 July 2022 onwards until 30 June 2023.

**VU, INDIA AU5LARC** is the special callsign for the Lamakaan Amateur Radio Club of Hyderabad (VU2LCH) to mark the 5th edition of the Lamakaan Annual Radio Convention, which will be held on 10-11 December (<https://www.larc.in/larc5/>). QSL via the bureau.

**XE, MEXICO X10X** is the special callsign for Ramon, XE1KK to use "during the rest of 2022 mostly on digital modes". QSL via LoTW only. (TNX 425DX)

**XE, MEXICO** Zalo/XE3N celebrates the 120th anniversary of Playa del Carmen City Quintana Roo during 2022 with the callsign **6F6F**. QSL via EA5GL, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

**YO, ROMANIA YR1400VT** is the special callsigns that members of Radio Club YO6KGS will be using until 30 June 2023 to popularize the newly inaugurated Via Transilvanica, a long-distance trail (1400 km) used for hiking, cycling and horse riding that crosses Romania. (TNX 425DX)

**YV, VENEZUELA 4M5MAG** is the special callsign for Radio Club Venezolano's Casa Regional San Antonio de los Altos (YV5SAA) to celebrate the 100th issue of their "Magazine de Radio" (<https://yv5saa.blogspot.com/>) from 1 September to 31 December. Activity will be on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 metres CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log, eQSL. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/4M5MAG> for more information.

**ZL, NEW ZEALAND ZL75WARC** is the special callsign for the Whangarei Amateur Radio Club (ZL1AM) to celebrate its 75th anniversary from 1 October to 31 December. The club is located on New Zealand's North Island (OC- 036), grid square RF74. (TNX 425DX)



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